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Maristhill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Wins National Award for Environmental Achievement

“PRACTICE GREENHEALTH” FAST BECOMING THE WAY OF THE FUTURE

WALTHAM, MA – (May 20, 2008) **Maristhill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center**, a non-profit provider of rehabilitative services, short-term and long-term care located in Waltham Massachusetts, recently announced that they were honored with a national **Partner of Change Award** at this year’s *Practice Greenhealth Environmental Excellence Awards*. The ceremony took place in Pittsburgh in conjunction with CleanMed 2008, a global conference for environmental leaders in health care.



Practice Greenhealth executive director, **Bob Jarboe**, said the *Partner for Change Award* recognizes those facilities that are helping to create healthy, healing environments and are committed to eliminating mercury, and reducing waste and pollution. Going green is clearly the way of the future and the future is looking healthier all the time.

“Environmental Excellence Awards recognize success stories,” said Jarboe. “Maristhill received the award for developing successful pollution prevention programs, and has made both quality patient care and the environment top priorities. As a result, everyone will see long term benefits. Their actions have led to some dramatic changes.”

“We have worked hard to make protecting the environment part of our mission to promote wellness in the community,” said **Carolyn Fenn**, Maristhill’s Administrator. We will continue to develop policies to reduce our environmental impact; receiving this award is confirmation that we are on the right track.”

Originally founded in 1969 by the Marist Missionary Sisters, Maristhill is a licensed skilled-nursing and rehabilitation center with a highly-recognized performance record for clinical excellence and quality care. People of all faiths and denominations are welcomed at the 123-bed facility, which is a member of **Covenant Health Systems**, a Catholic health care system sponsoring hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living residences and other health and elder services throughout New England. For additional information please contact Ms. Carolyn Fenn, Administrator, at (781) 893-0240 or visit www.maristhill.org.

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